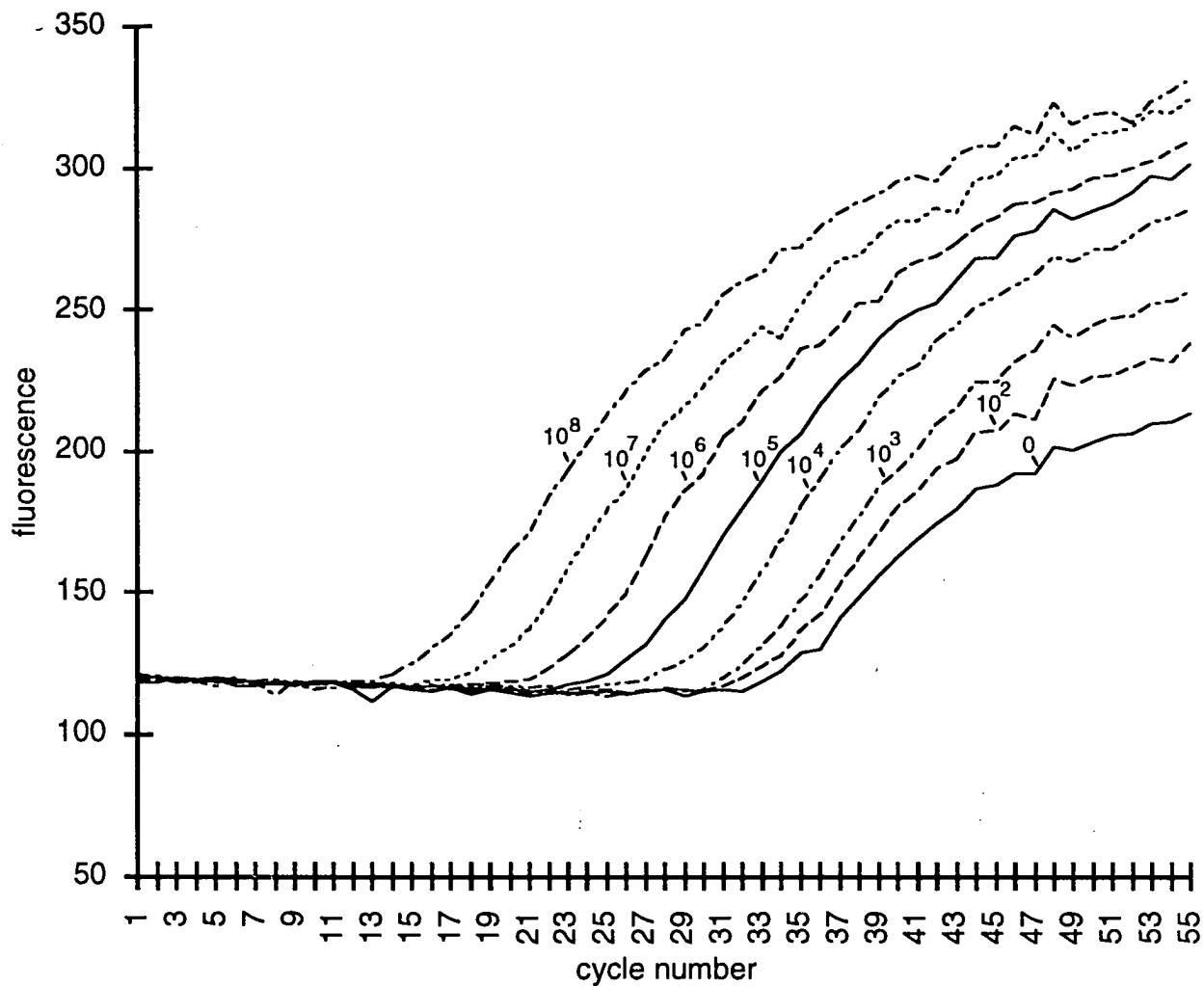


B.



Eight PCR amplifications that differed only in the amount of initial target DNA were monitored as in Exhibit 2. The number of copies initially present is indicated in the diagram. The data demonstrates that the greater the amount of initial target DNA, the earlier the cycle number at which fluorescence due to the product of double-stranded DNA is detected.